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2014 EXECUTIVE REPORT-
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MILWAUKEE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

910 North Old World Third Street
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203



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I. Purpose of the Study

Precarious conditions of the balustrade and cornice masonry assemblies necessitated this investigative study of the Milwaukee County Historical Society building envelope of Indiana limestone with extensive copper detailing. The goals of the study are to conceptualize a restoration plan that accomplishes these primary goals:

1. Prevent danger to the public from deteriorated limestone building elements
2. Complete the restoration of a nationally registered, Milwaukee County landmark edifice.

II. Methodology

A visual survey of the building exterior identified two investigation areas, typifying the worst-case conditions. At the southern-end (facing Kilbourn Avenue) the investigation area included a two-bay length of the limestone balustrade. An assessment of the limestone masonry balustrade conditions was made by means of a methodical deconstruction. The structural integrity of the masonry-encased steel channels and anchor rods was also investigated. At the northwestern-end (facing Old World 3rd Street), the cartouche/keystone assembly was assessed in conjunction with the adjacent cornice assembly.

All deconstructed balustrade stone units have been surveyed, palletized, and stored at the Milwaukee County Jackson Park Maintenance Facility. The deconstructed investigation area has been rendered water-tight. The entire parapet building perimeter is re-wrapped with the safety netting previously installed by Milwaukee County.

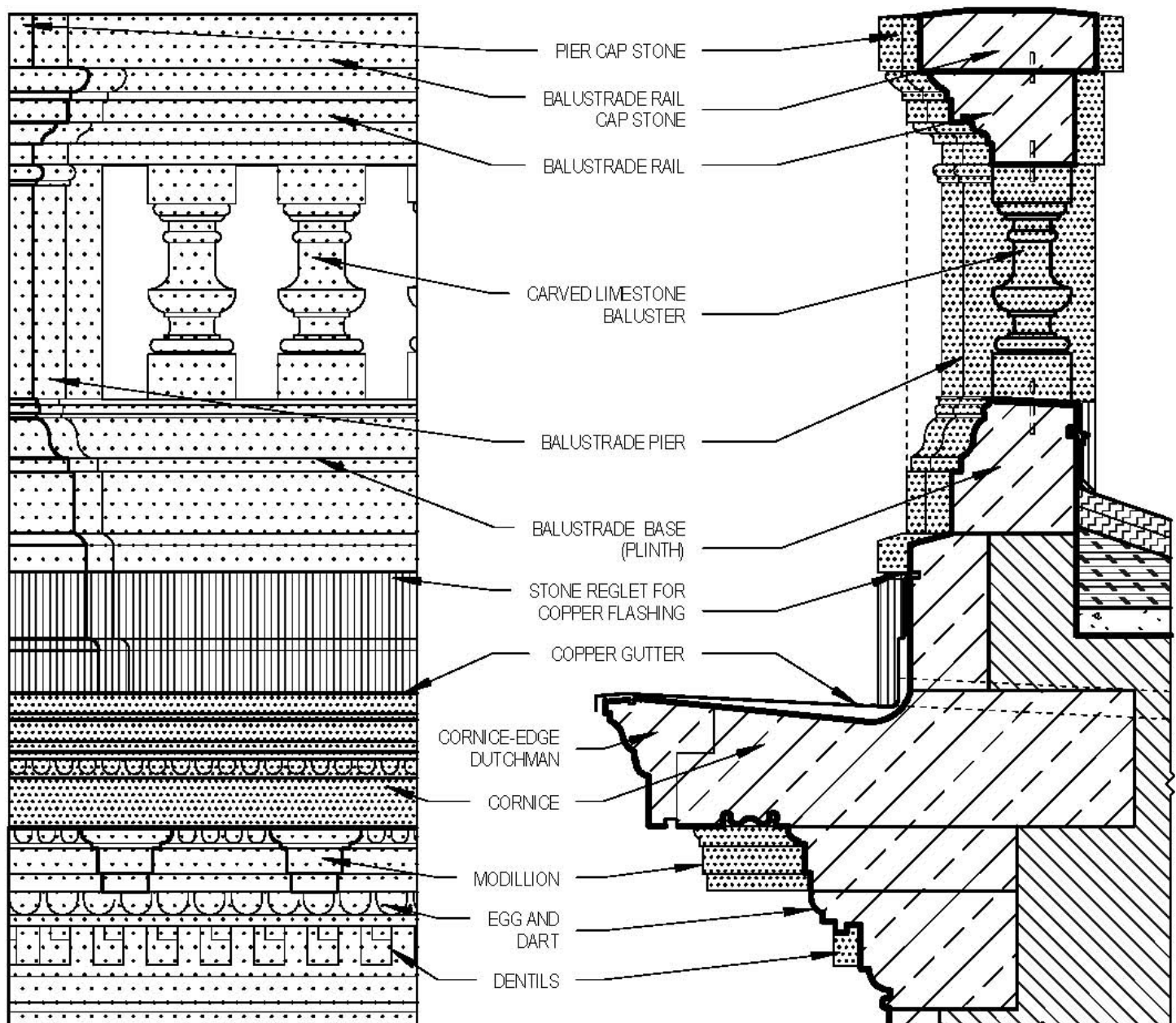
The testing of all six plumbing connections (cornice to roof drains) and downpipes (rooftop to basement) was a part of this investigative study.

The analysis of the building foundation recharge system, "Site Groundwater Evaluation Report", also part of this study, is under separate cover.



III. Glossary of Terms – Limestone Units

Inspired by the Petit Trianon (on the grounds of the Palace of Versailles in France) this building was designed by Architects Charles Kirchoff and Thomas Leslie Rose. The construction was completed in 1913. In 1973, the building was registered by National Park Service. The terminology of the classical façade units of carved and structural Indiana limestone is illustrated here.



IV. Findings

The technical team assessed the significant deterioration to the Indiana limestone assemblies.

1. Balustrade

The limestone/brick masonry parapet deterioration evidences open and/or failed mortar joints, missing and cracked balusters, and deteriorated balustrade bases (plinth). The balustrade pier showed irreparable conditions provoked by water infiltration resulting in corroded mild steel strap anchors and degraded common brick, necessitating its total dismantling.



2. Cornice

The on-going deterioration of the projecting limestone cornice is primarily due to failed flat-seams and inadequate drainage of the copper gutter. A section of the gutter was cut away to assess the condition of the limestone unit. Previous power nailing to anchor the copper gutter had split the limestone cornice edge. A cementitious epoxy material, painted to match the adjacent stone, was employed to patch the fractured edge. In addition to these conditions of dangerous spalling, water was observed infiltrating the limestone entablature. This seepage behind the carved limestone units underneath the projecting cornice, weakens the brick back-up wall assembly and the embedded mild steel strap anchors.



3. Cartouche

Seven carved cartouche/keystone units decorate the building at the top of the stone window arches. The cartouche in the northwest corner is seriously displaced and requires stabilization. The displacement is apparently provoked by a weakening of the wall assembly.



4. Façade Cladding

The cracking and spalling of limestone façade cladding typifies the oxide-jacking from embedded mild-steel masonry anchors. Some of these spalls were removed by Milwaukee County, exposing the corroding strap anchor.



5. Plumbing/Roof Drains

The plumbing testing for the full length of the downpipes, starting from the cornice conductors and rooftop drains down to the basement, revealed no blockage or leakage. Likewise, no issues were found at the material transitions between the copper-sheathed cornice conductors and cast-iron downpipes.



6. Structural Steel

During deconstruction of the southern-end balustrade, deeper investigation into a structural steel anchor rod revealed minimal corrosion with no diminished structural integrity. The “C” channel embedded in the entablature similarly was examined and found to have slight corrosion and no degradation. The masonry surround was dry.



V. Recommendations *(Architectural Drawing Reference)*

1. Balustrade

With the exception of the seven bays of solid balustrade, this study recommends a deconstruction of the balustrade down to the balustrade bases (plinth). Much of the balustrade assembly (cap stone, rail, baluster and plinth) remains sound and can be retained. The deconstruction is required to provide new alloy-coated copper flashing and stainless steel pins at all horizontal connections of the upper balustrade units.

A. Balusters

This study identified missing and cracked balusters for replacement by newly fabricated limestone balusters. The Masonry Contractor will remove an existing baluster. The Stone Contractor will use the removed baluster as a template. The existing mild steel anchor pins will be cored-out at all balusters. Stainless steel pins shall be provided, with copper thimbles for flashing conditions. New alloy-coated copper flashing will safeguard the longevity of the limestone balusters. *(A001, A101)*

B. Piers

The solid masonry piers will be deconstructed and the limestone facing units, salvaged. All sixteen, individual piers shall have a new common brick core. The salvaged, cleaned limestone units will face this brick core. The pier's assembly shall be anchored by stainless steel masonry strap anchors.

C. Solid Balustrade

The stone cladding of the solid balustrade will be re-pointed. The previously mortar-set cap stones will be pinned and have new, alloy-coated copper flashing. The balustrade brick back-up wall had been patched with roofing pitch. Metal panels installed on hat channels protect the brick wall. With verification of air circulation, it is anticipated that these metal panels will remain in place. *(1/A301)*

D. Flashing

The alloy-coated copper, adopted for the cornice gutter, will also flash the individual pier cap stones, balustrade cap stones and baluster base units (plinth). *(1/A302)*

2. Cornice

The limestone cornice unit is designed to hold an alloy-coated copper gutter with continuous flashing up the back wall of the assembly. The cornice units are rectilinear in form with the exception of the curvilinear units located at the building's southeast end.

A. Indiana Limestone Dutchman

The severely, spalled cornice edge can be repaired by removing the damaged edge. A new piece of stone will be keyed to the existing 7000 lb. limestone unit. This limestone Dutchman covers the entire cornice of the building perimeter. The new Indiana limestone will have a different patina. It will appear as an imperfect color match to its weathered receiver. *(A301, 3/A401)*

B. Flashing

The existing flashed-in cornice conductor opening will be replaced by sidewall drains to assure efficient drainage. The carved limestone units, below the projecting cornice, will be cleaned of all efflorescence and accumulated dirt and grime.
(2/A401)

C. Cornice Drainage

An alloy-coated copper gutter, flat seamed, will line the entire stone projection from the drip edge to the up-wall flashing. Expansion joints will be installed at the six drain locations. A watertight membrane and complete repointing of the cornice mortar joints will inhibit water infiltration into the wall assembly below. (1/A401)

3. Cartouche

The re-alignment of the most displaced limestone cartouche will necessitate the complete deconstruction and rebuild of the wall's full-depth including the solid balustrade above. An assessment of the conditions necessitating the displacement will inform the subsequent stabilization of at least four of the remaining six cartouche assemblies. (Total of seven cartouche.) Alternatively, given that the assembly works as a true arch, a repair-in-place is feasible. Approximated life-span is 25 years. The visual displacement would remain.
(1/A301)

4. Façade Indiana Limestone Cladding

Limestone repairs in the facades include: the spalled, cracked units; failed mortar joints. The attached photographic narratives and annotated architectural drawings illustrate the conditions and the scope of the restorative interventions.

5. Building Foundation

Minimal settlement has occurred due in part to the good condition of the wood piles underlying column footings. In order to insure the continued integrity of the wood pile, a water recharge system will be engineered according to recent data gathering of water level conditions. The installation of this system is beyond the scope of this report.

VII. Construction Details

INDIANA LIMESTONE PARAPET (open and solid balustrade, entire perimeter)

- Repair limestone balusters and/or provide replacement units
- Reconstruct limestone assemblies surveyed in investigative study
- Core, remove, replace all baluster pins at rail top caps and baluster bases (plinth)
- Anchor materials: Stainless steel pins and strap anchors
- Flashing materials: Alloy-coated copper; copper thimbles
- Provide through-wall (receiver and counterflashing) alloy-coated copper flashing at baluster bases (plinth)
- Deconstruct and rebuild all stone-clad, brick-core balustrade piers
- Pin, flash all balustrade rail top caps and solid balustrade top caps
- Pin, re-flash all pier top-caps
- Repoint all failed, failing mortar joints; mortar type 'O' (typical)
- Skyward-facing mortar joints will have sealant
- Assure air circulation at existing formed metal panels over brick back-up walls
- Roofing repair at southern-end investigation area

INDIANA LIMESTONE CORNICE (restoration of entire perimeter)

- Saw-cut and remove limestone cornice edge for the entire building perimeter
- Provide limestone repair utilizing "Dutchman" technique
- Masonry anchors: Stainless steel rods/pins, vertical strap anchors
- Provide sidewall drains at six, copper-sleeved cornice conductors
- Trowel-in drainage leveler (max 2", lightweight material)
- Provide alloy-coated copper gutter and flashing at cornice with expansion joints
- Provide ice-and-water shield membrane, high-temperature underlayment
- Repoint all mortar joints; sealant at all skyward-facing mortar joints
- Clean (efflorescence, dirt and grime) limestone units below the cornice projection

INDIANA LIMESTONE CARTOUCHE (Keystone units, one assembly re-alignment)

- Deconstruction and rebuild of one displaced cartouche with keystone units

TOOLED INDIANA LIMESTONE FAÇADE (Repair technique of spalled units)

- The surface of the limestone Dutchman shall have a tooling pattern match to the adjacent limestone. (Tooling pattern is "batted" with a designated number of vertical lines per inch, e.g. 8 lines per inch.) A light sandblasting of the limestone Dutchman shall blend the new piece into the existing limestone surround.
- As identified on the architectural drawings, failing/failed mortar joints shall be repointed.



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The following was professionally surveyed by one of Our State of Wisconsin License Plumbers,
Mr. Nick Kahle.

Cornerstone Plumbing's Conclusions were based on the following information He seen by Camera:

- South center roof drain/scupper – ran camera down roof drain 50'. Ran camera through scupper to connection with roof drain. Piping was in good condition. Dumped water down drains. Checked for leaks inside. Found no issues.
- Southwest roof drain and scupper – ran camera down drain 50'. Ran camera through scupper to connection with roof drain. Piping was in good condition. Dumped water down drains. Checked inside for leaks. Found no issues.
- Southeast roof drain/scupper - Ran camera down roof drain 40'. Ran camera through scupper to connection with conductor. Piping looked to be in good condition. Dumped water down drains. Checked inside for leaks. Found no issues.
- Northwest roof drain/scupper – ran camera down roof drain 60'. Ran camera through scupper to connection with conductor. Piping looked to be in good condition. Dumped water down drains. Checked inside for leaks. Found no issues.
- Northeast roof drain/scupper – ran camera down roof drain 50'. Ran camera through scupper to connection with conductor. Piping looked to be in good condition. Dumped water down drains. Checked inside for leaks. Found no issues.
- Roof drain/scupper by roof access – ran camera down roof drain 40'. Ran camera through scupper to connection with roof drain. Piping looked to be in good condition. Dumped water down drains. Checked inside for leaks. Found no issues.

Thank You,

Rob Widowski - M.P. #226398

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Service Manager

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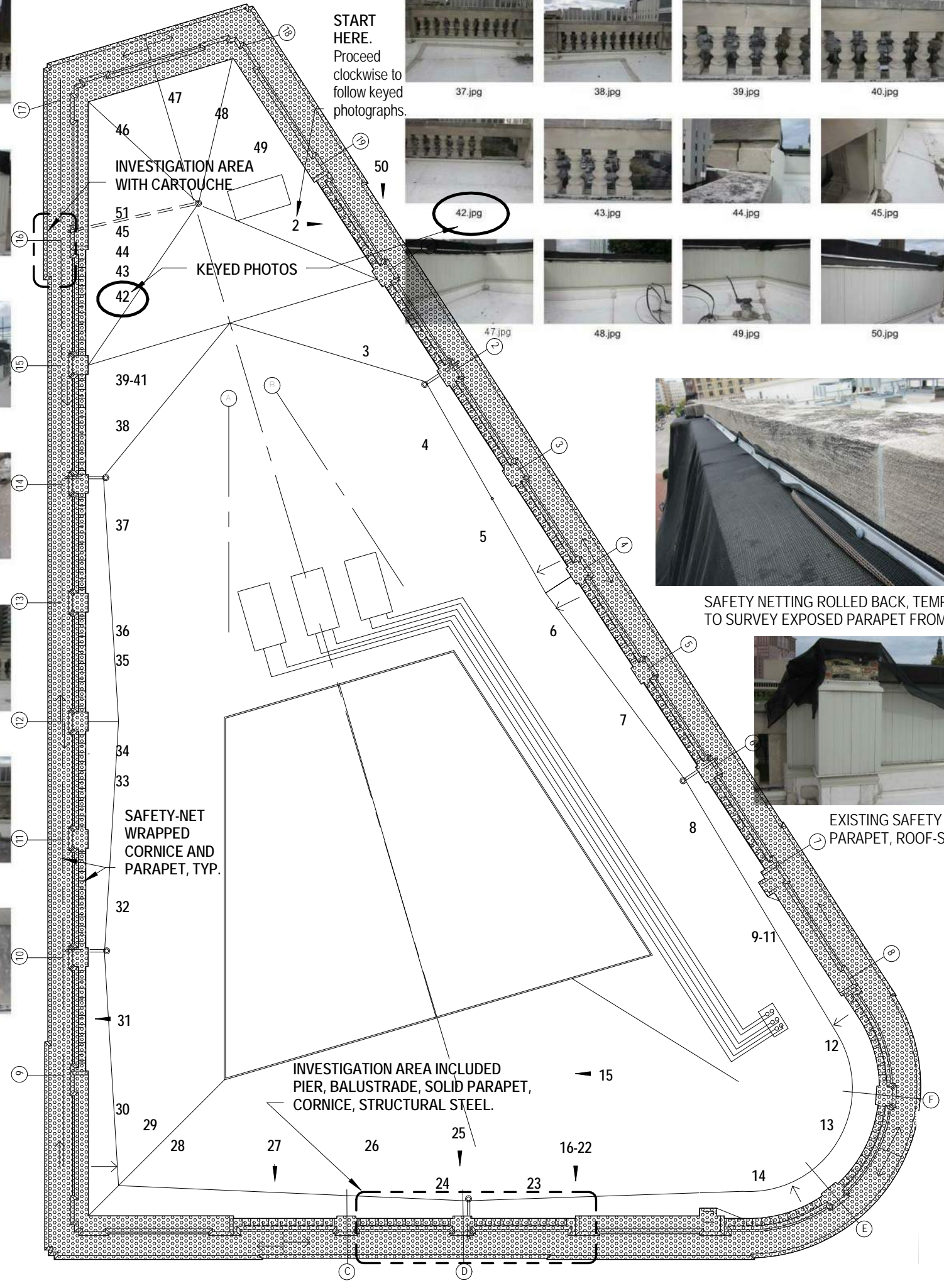


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PARAPET PLAN - EXISTING CONDITIONS

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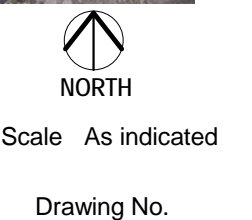
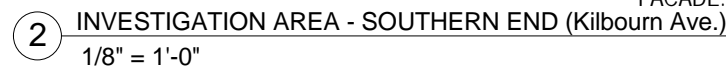
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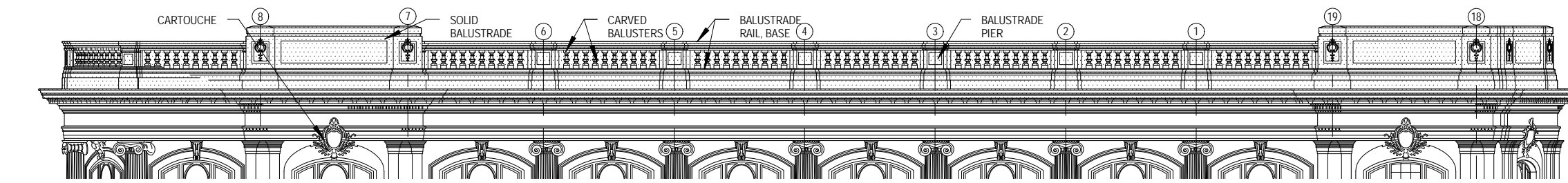
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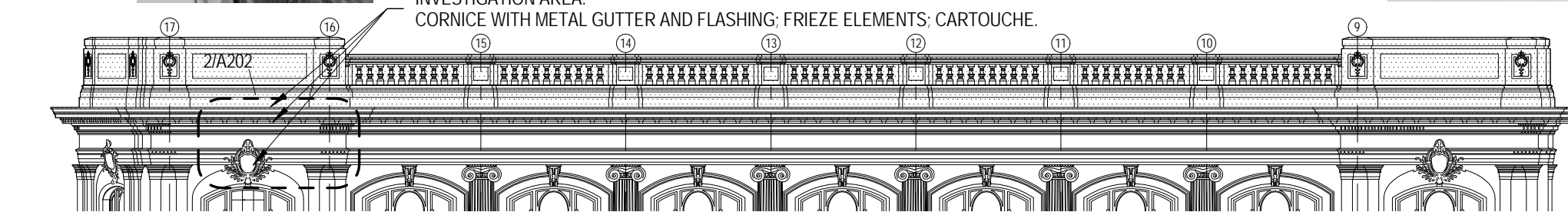
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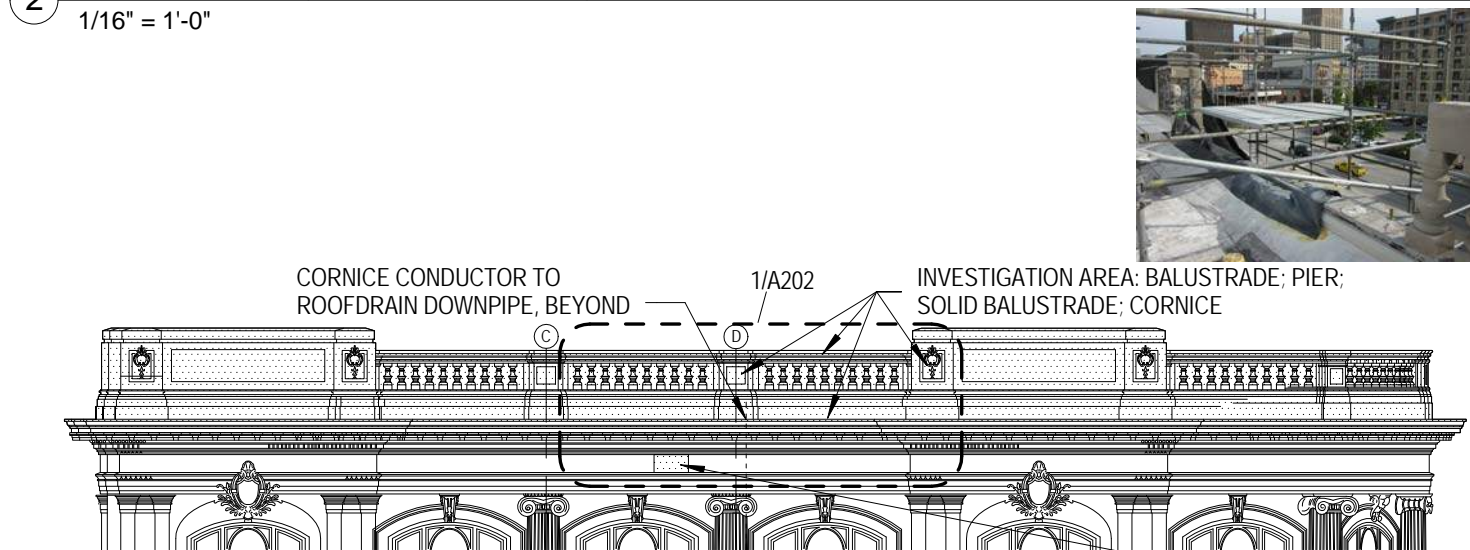




3 EAST - ELEVATION (PARK SIDE)
1/16" = 1'-0"



2 WEST ELEVATION (OLD WORLD THIRD ST.)
1/16" = 1'-0"



1 SOUTH ELEVATION (KILBOURN AVE.)
1/16" = 1'-0"



ROTATED FACADE STONE
OUTWARD TO VERIFY CONDITION
OF STRUCTURAL STEEL
CHANNELS, ANCHOR ROD.

PARAPET FACTS	*field verify
PARAPET:	
PERIMETER at cornice edge	487 ft.*
PERIMETER at parapet edge	461 ft.*
BALUSTRADE	330 ft.*
BALUSTRADE, SOLID	131 ft.*
BALUSTRADE BAYS	20
CARVED BALUSTERS	10 per bay
BALUSTRADE PIERS	16
CARTOUCHE UNITS:	
NORTH ELEVATION	1 location
EAST ELEVATION	2 locations
WEST ELEVATION	2 locations
<u>SOUTH ELEVATION</u>	<u>2 locations</u>
TOTAL	7
LIMESTONE:	
INDIANA LIMESTONE - COLOR: BUFF; GRADE: SELECT	
METAL:	
PINS, STRAP ANCHORS: MILD STEEL (EXISTING)	
PINS, STRAP ANCHORS, RODS: SS (PROPOSED)	
FLASHING: GALVANIZED STEEL; ALUMINUM (EXISTING)	
FLASHING: Z-T ALLOY COATED COPPER (PROPOSED)	
CORNICE GUTTER AND FLASHING:	
COPPER, (EXISTING)	
ZINC-TIN ALLOY COATED COPPER (PROPOSED)	
CORNICE CONDUCTOR:	
COPPER. SHEATHED IN 1989	
ROOF DRAINS - CAST IRON. INSTALLED IN 2010	
ROOF DRAIN DOWNPIPES - CAST IRON, 4" diam. ORIGINAL	

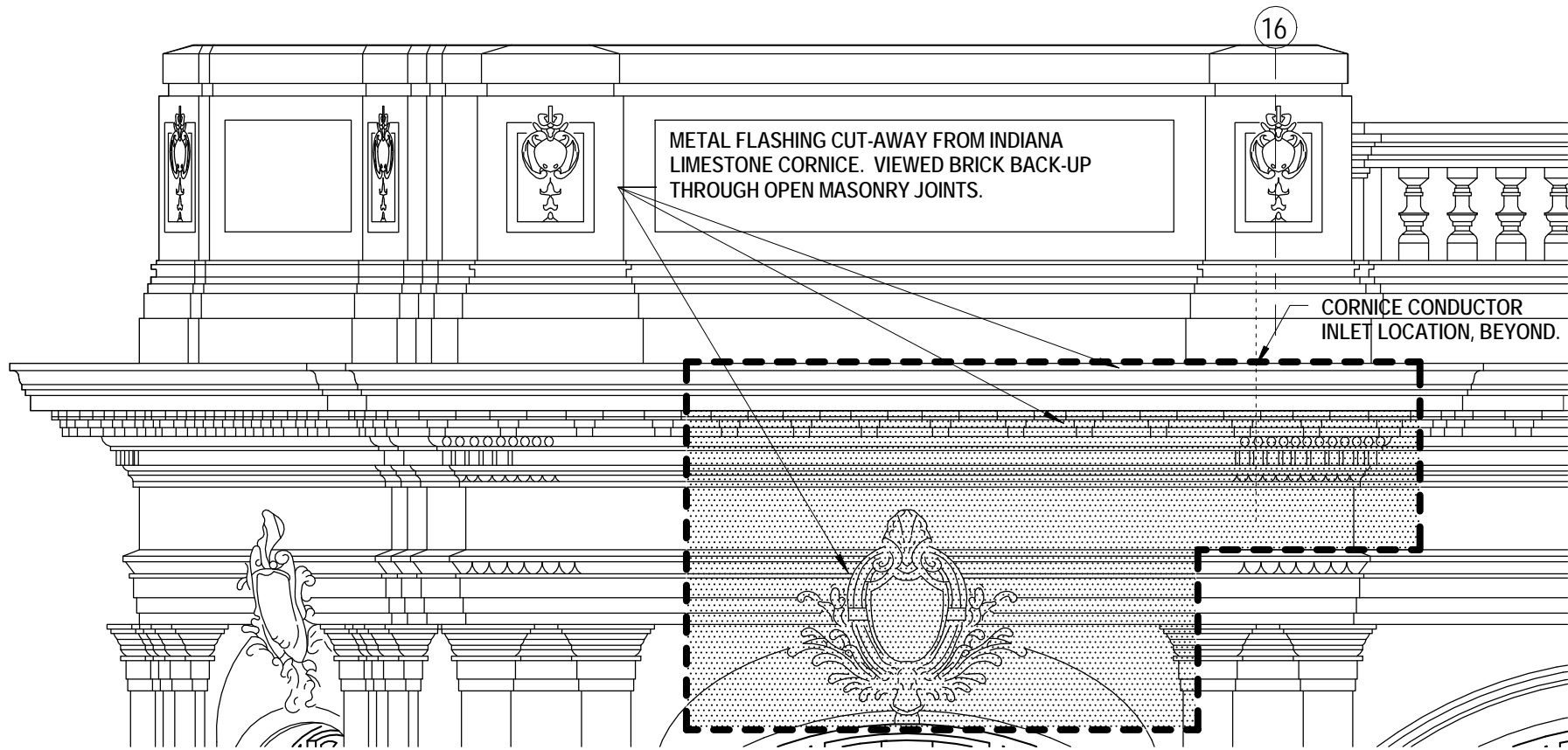


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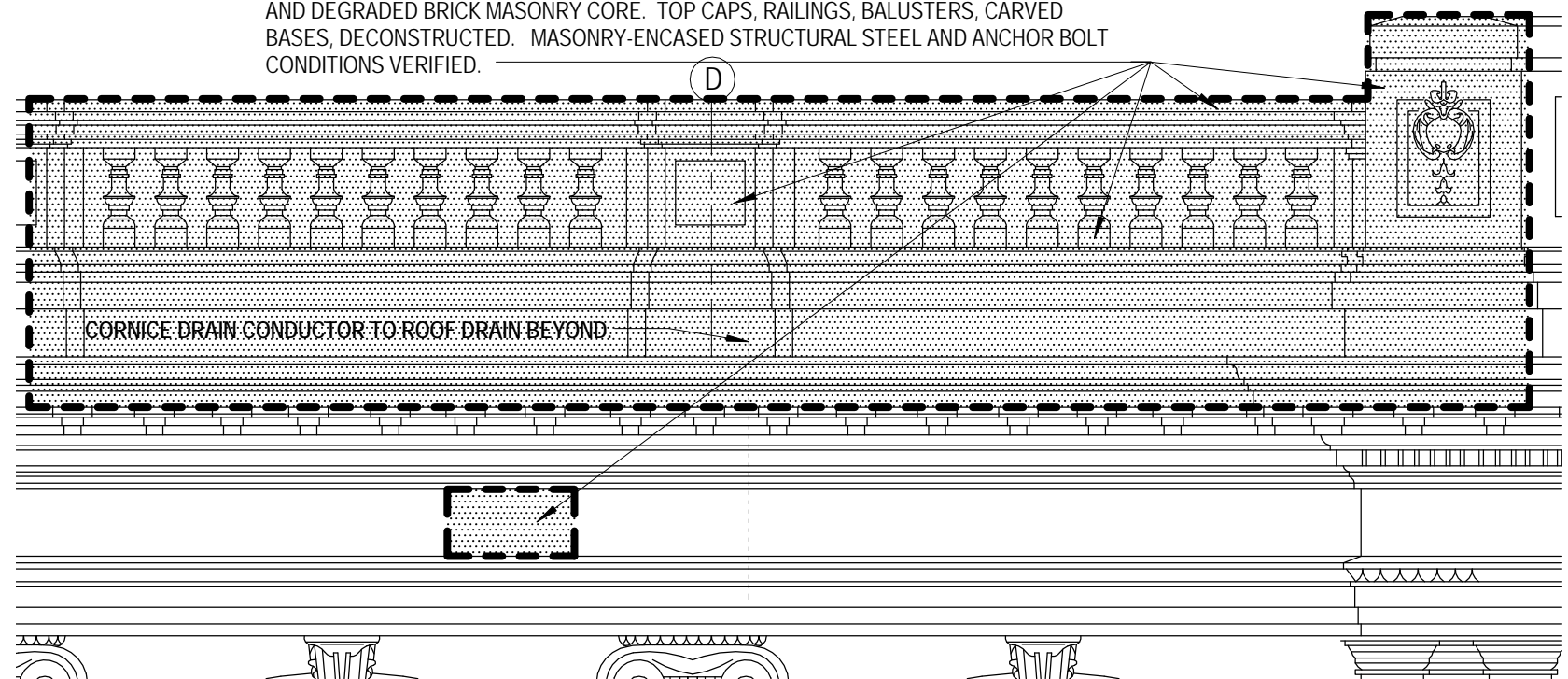
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2 WEST ELEVATION - INVESTIGATION AREA
1/4" = 1'-0"

INDIANA LIMESTONE CLADDING PARTIALLY DECONSTRUCTED AT SOLID BALUSTRADE. BALUSTRADE PIER ASSEMBLY DECONSTRUCTED. FOUND CORRODED STRAP ANCHORS AND DEGRADED BRICK MASONRY CORE. TOP CAPS, RAILINGS, BALUSTERS, CARVED BASES, DECONSTRUCTED. MASONRY-ENCASED STRUCTURAL STEEL AND ANCHOR BOLT CONDITIONS VERIFIED.

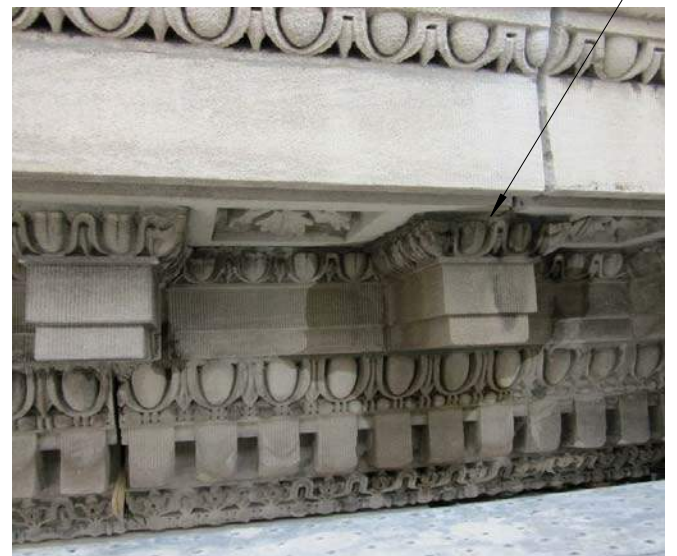


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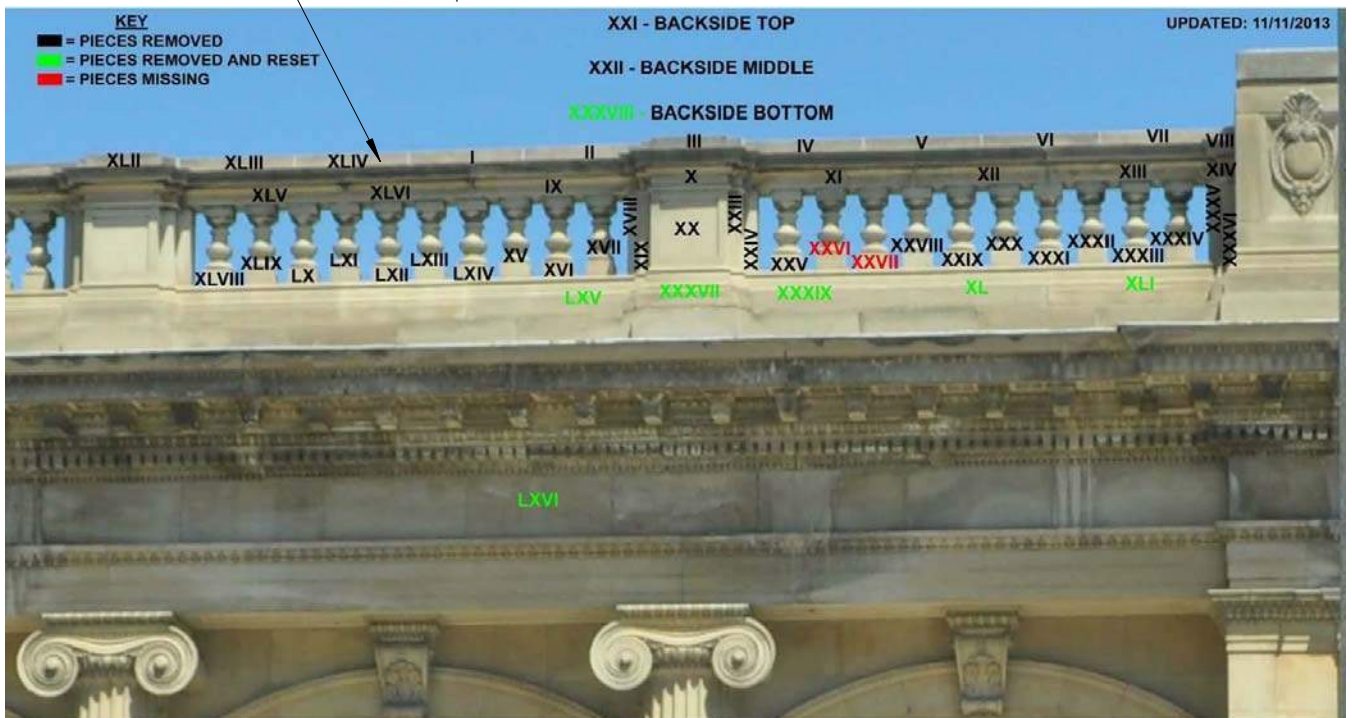


COPPER GUTTER REMOVED. REVEALED WET LIMESTONE CORNICE AND THE SEVERELY-SPALLED EDGE. PAST MAINTENANCE HAD PATCHED AND PAINTED THE CORNICE EDGE.

CONSTANT DRIPPING OF LONG-STANDING WATER IN CORNICE GUTTER. EVIDENCE OF SEEPAGE INTO LIMESTONE MASONRY WALL ASSEMBLY.



INDIANA LIMESTONE UNITS DECONSTRUCTED, SURVEYED, NUMBERED, PALLETIZED, STORED AT MILWAUKEE COUNTY'S JACKSON PARK YARD.



Scale 1/4" = 1'-0"

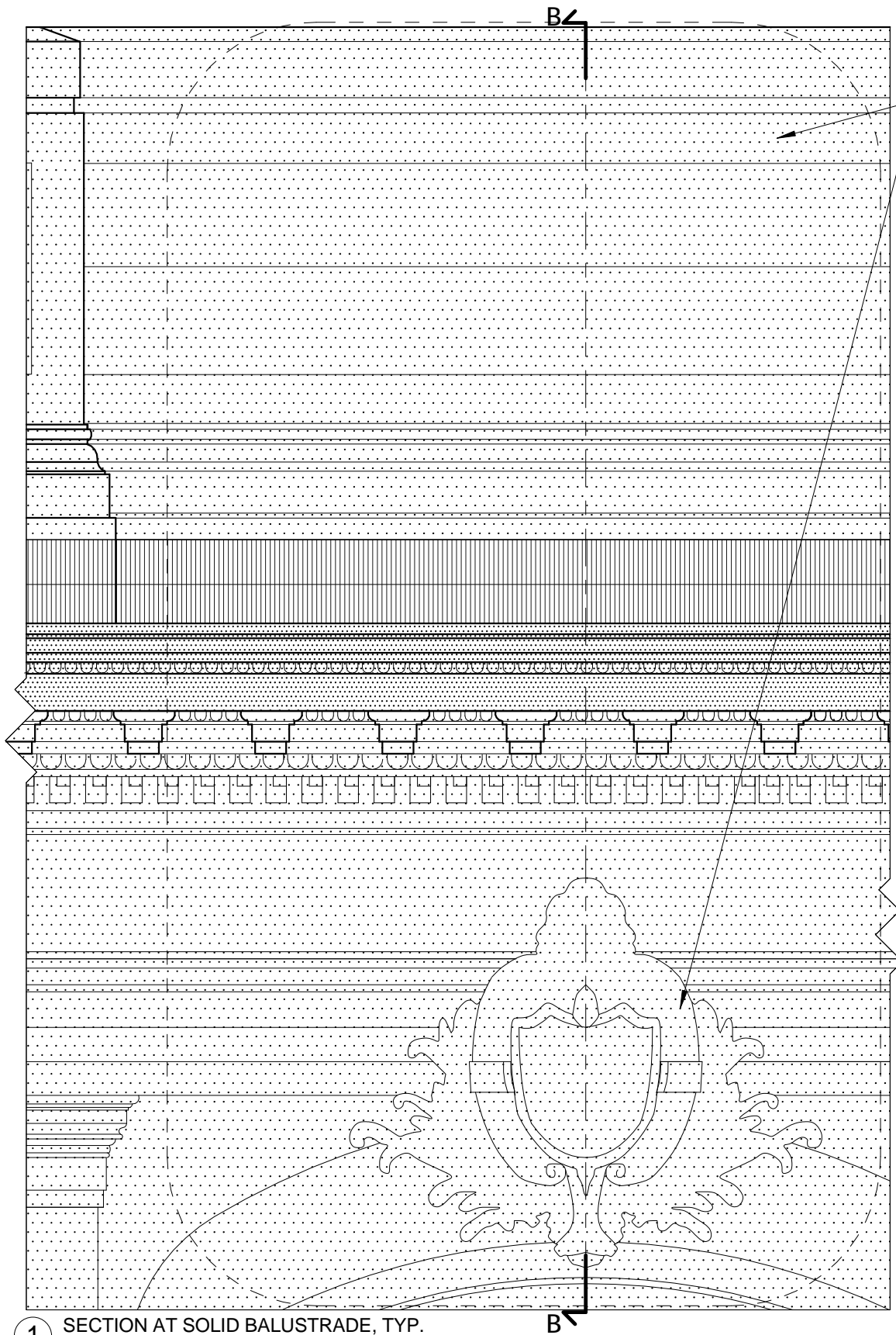
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SECTION AT SOLID BALUSTRADE, TYP.

1/2" = 1'-0"

AREA OF INTERVENTION FOR DECONSTRUCTION AND REBUILD OF SOLID BALUSTRADE, CORNICE, BRICK BACK-UP WALL, CARTOUCHE KEYSTONE UNITS. RE-ALIGN DISPLACED UNITS.

REMOVE, REPLACE CONTINUOUS METAL FLASHING AT TOP CAPS, TYP. NEW SS PINS WITH SEALANT/MASTIC. REPOINT ALL DETERIORATED MORTAR JOINTS.

STANDARD METAL PANEL TO REMAIN. VERIFY AIR CIRCULATION.

EXISTING EPDM MEMBRANE ROOFING SYSTEM.

EXISTING LIMESTONE CORNICE EDGE CONDITION. WATER INFILTRATION AT COMMON BRICK BACK-UP WALL.

CARVED LIMESTONE UNITS TO BE CLEANED OF EFFLORESCENCE AND DIRT AND GRIME, TYP.

WORST-CASE CONDITION AT ONE OF SEVEN CARTOUCHE LOCATIONS. KEYSTONE UNITS SHIFTED DOWN AND OUT OF PLANAR ALIGNMENT.

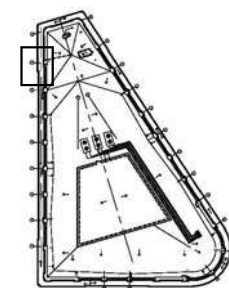
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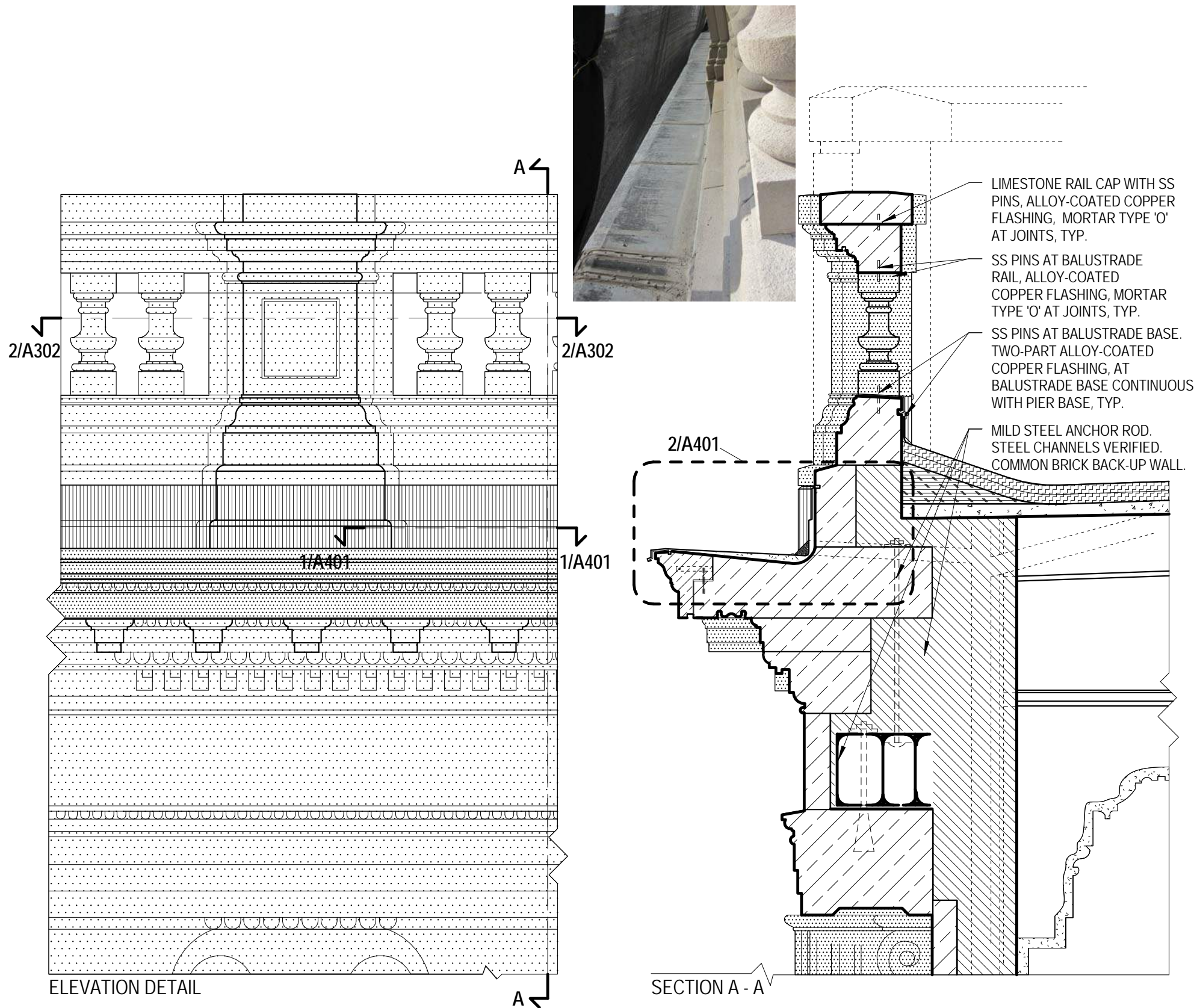


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1 ELEVATION AND SECTION AT BALUSTRADE, TYP.
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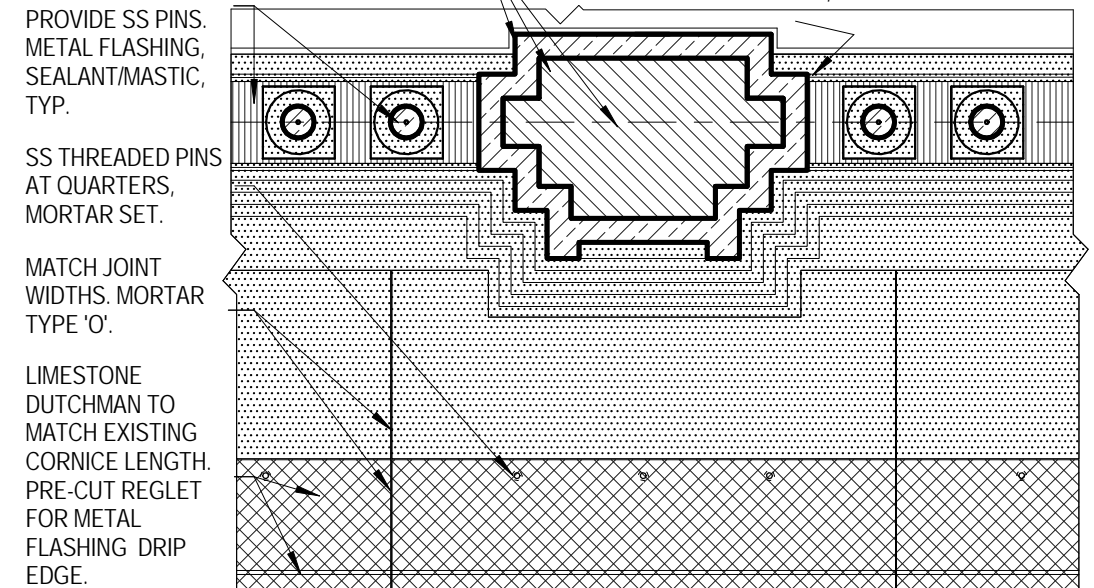
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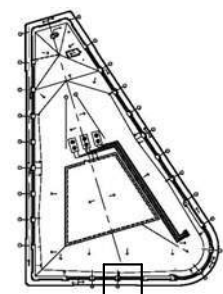
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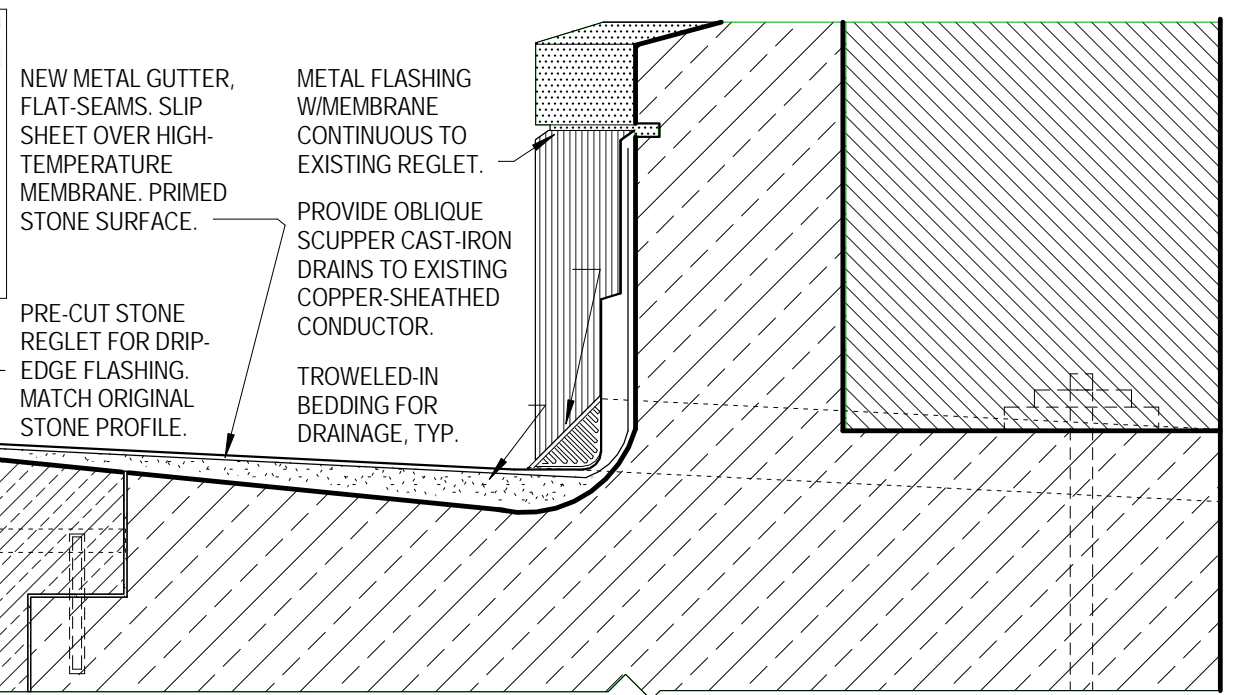
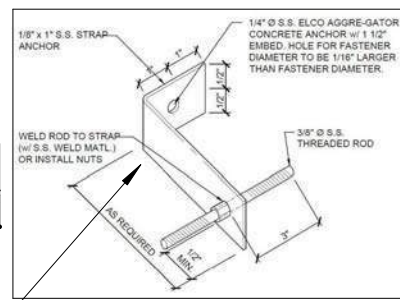
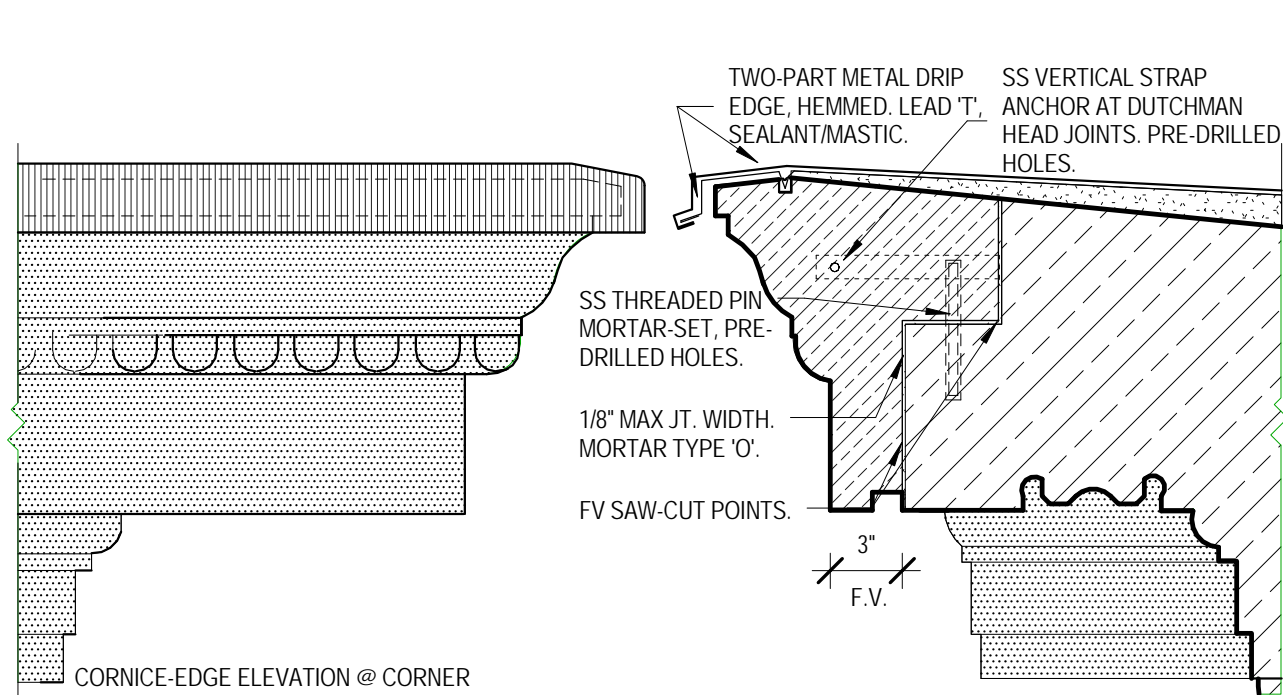
LIMESTONE DUTCHMAN TO MATCH EXISTING CORNICE LENGTH. PRE-CUT REGLET FOR METAL FLASHING DRIP EDGE.

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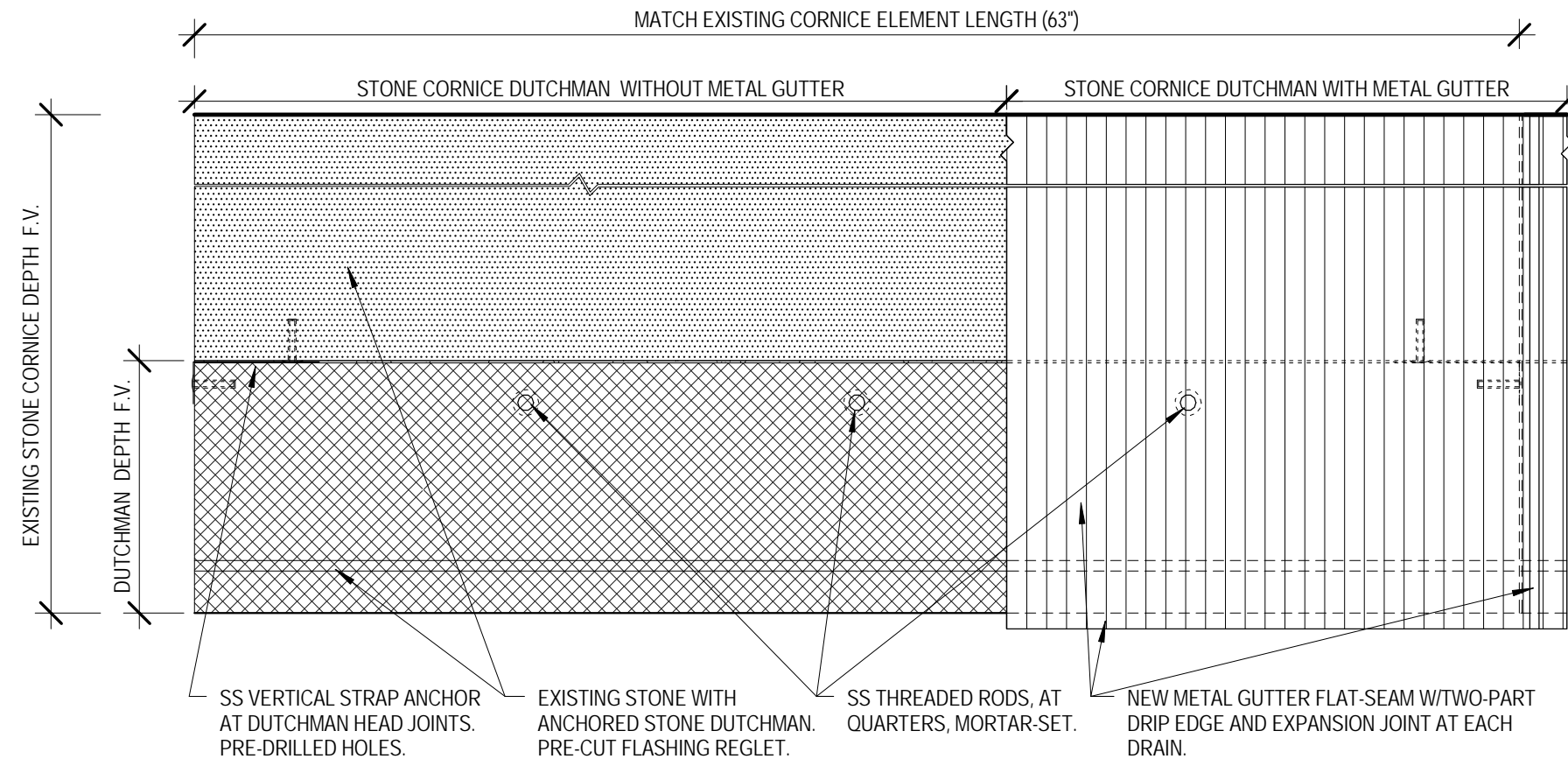
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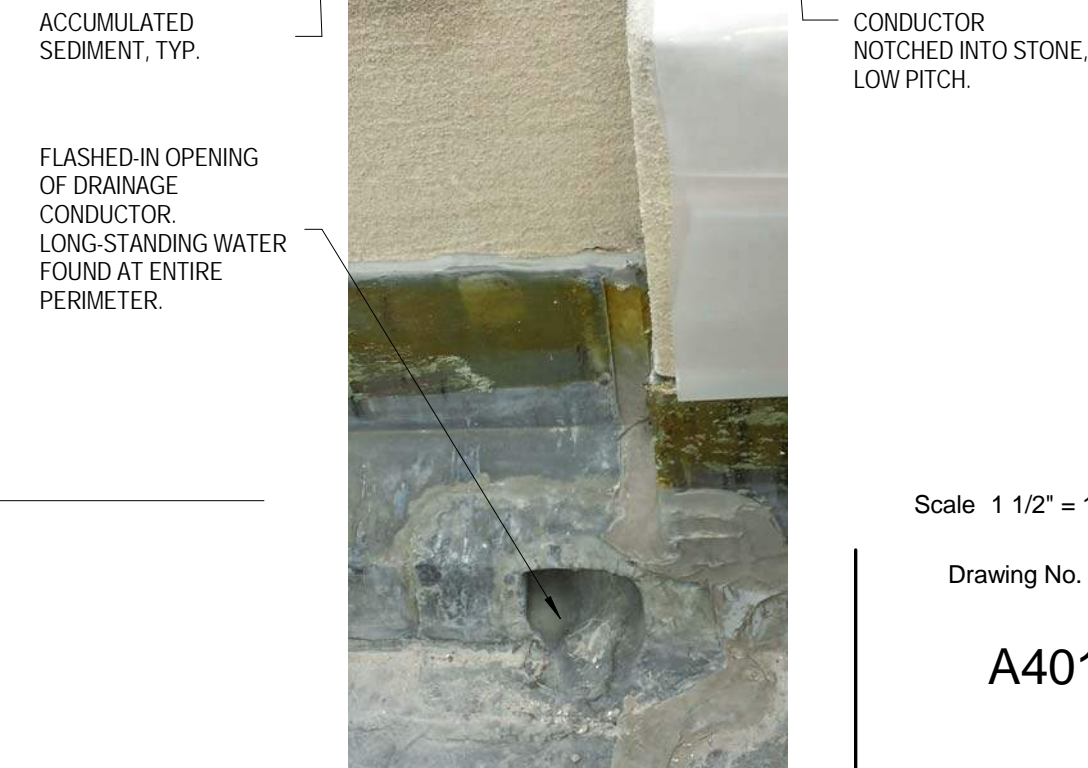


3 CORNICE DUTCHMAN - SECTION DETAIL
1 1/2" = 1'-0"

2 CORNICE FLASHING, DRAIN - SECTION DETAIL
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1 CORNICE DUTCHMAN - WITHOUT AND WITH COPPER ALLOY GUTTER - PLAN DETAIL
1 1/2" = 1'-0"



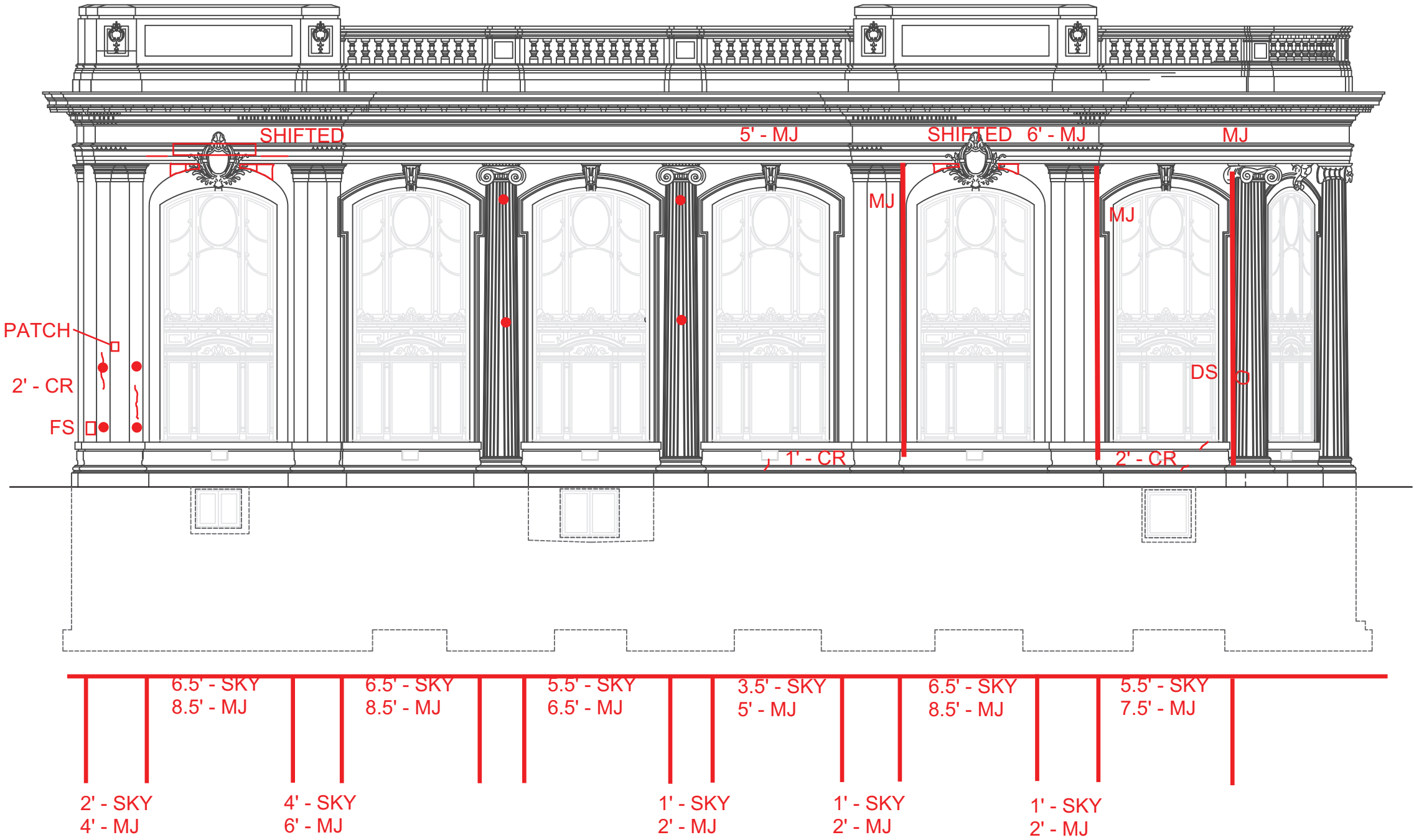
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Kilbourn St. Elevation (SOUTH)

- DRAWING KEY :
- FS = FLAT SPALL
 - DS = DECORATIVE SPALL
 - MJ = CRACKED MORTAR JOINT
 - SKY = SKYWARD FACING JOINT
 - CR = CRACK IN LIMESTONE
 - = ATTACHMENT LOCATION



3rd Street Elevation (WEST)

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 - SKY = SKYWARD FACING JOINT
 - CR = CRACK IN Limestone
 - = ATTACHMENT LOCATION



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Pere Marquette Park Elevation (EAST)

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- CR = CRACK IN LIMESTONE
- = ATTACHMENT LOCATION

